

TOWN DEVELOPMENT & GROWTH

Over 2,800 dwelling units (including 49 duplexes) are nearly 94% owner-occupied. 40% of homes are valued up to \$100,000; with 37% valued between \$100-\$150,000.

The average Grand Rapids resident owns a single-family home heated by natural gas, less than 25 years old, with a monthly mortgage payment between \$700 and \$1,500. He/she has a college degree or at least some college or technical school training, a median household income of \$62,515 and is occupied in manufacturing or management/professional. If employed full-time, HIS average earnings are \$46,759 while HER average is \$27,364.

Private wells and septic systems serve all properties in the town. Septic systems are regulated and inspected by the Wood County Zoning Office (421-8466). Septic tanks are required to be pumped at least every three years. Wells are regulated by the Department of Natural Resources (421-7804).

Zoning Permits are required and uses are restricted by the various zoning districts to promote public safety and protect property values. A comprehensive Master Plan (land use plan) has been adopted. Minimum residential lot size since 1973 has been 20,000 sq ft (just under ½-acre).

More Grand Rapids 2000 census data is available at
<http://www.doa.state.wi.us/dir/wisconsin/0605514130125.pdf>